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Jeff Hamon  
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Re: Industrial Waste and Storm Water  
P. H. Glatfelter Company  
NPDES Permit No. PA 0008869  
APS ID No. 8869  
Authorization ID No. 587147  
Spring Grove Borough, North Codorus  
Township and Jackson Township,  
York County

Dear Mr. Hamon:

Your National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) is enclosed. Please review the permit and its special conditions carefully.

Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) and Supplemental Reporting Forms are included with the NPDES permit. These should be completed as instructed in the permit and Instruction Sheets.

The permit requires that you submit an application for a Water Quality Management (WQM) permit within two years of the effective date of the permit for the proposed effluent cooling system. The application must include an Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Plan that addresses year-round operation of the system, startup and shutdown procedures, bypassing, and other O&M activities. The permit also requires that you conduct effluent cooling operations continuously, unless bypassing of the cooling system is done in accordance with the permit or as otherwise authorized by an O&M Plan approved by the Department. The Department is providing operational flexibility in that the permit does not require continuous operation at design capacity. However, in the event that exceptions to meeting temperature limits are incorporated into the permit at a later date, a condition of use of such exceptions will be that the cooling system is operated at design capacity but other factors prevent compliance with limits. Exceptions may be considered for situations where facilities or equipment are inoperable due to reasons beyond the permittee's control.

Enclosed is a comment-response document prepared by the Department in response to comments on the draft permit by P. H. Glatfelter Company, U.S. EPA, City of York, and Lower Susquehanna Riverkeeper.

Any person aggrieved by this action may appeal, pursuant to Section 4 of the Environmental Hearing Board Act, 35 P.S. Section 7514, and the Administrative Agency Law, 2 Pa. C.S. Chapter 5A, to the Environmental Hearing Board, Second Floor, Rachel Carson State Office Building, 400 Market Street, PO Box 8457, Harrisburg, PA 17105-8457, 717-787-3483. TDD users may contact the Board through the Pennsylvania Relay Service, 800-654-5984. Appeals must be filed with the Environmental Hearing Board within 30 days of receipt of written notice of this action unless the appropriate statute provides a different time period. Copies of the appeal form and the Board's rules of practice and procedure may be obtained from the Board. The appeal form and the Board's rules of practice and procedure are also available in braille or on audiotape from the Secretary to the Board at 717-787-3483. This paragraph does not, in and of itself, create any right of appeal beyond that permitted by applicable statutes and decisional law.

**IF YOU WANT TO CHALLENGE THIS ACTION, YOUR APPEAL MUST REACH THE BOARD WITHIN 30 DAYS. YOU DO NOT NEED A LAWYER TO FILE AN APPEAL WITH THE BOARD.**

**IMPORTANT LEGAL RIGHTS ARE AT STAKE, HOWEVER, SO YOU SHOULD SHOW THIS DOCUMENT TO A LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU CANNOT AFFORD A LAWYER, YOU MAY QUALIFY FOR FREE PRO BONO REPRESENTATION. CALL THE SECRETARY TO THE BOARD (717-787-3483) FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

Sincerely,

Lee A. McDonnell, P.E.  
Program Manager  
Water Management Program

Enclosures

cc: US EPA, Region III

Mr. Jeff Hamon

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bcc: Wastewater Management  
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